



## Neascus brevicaudatus

A digenean fluke, trematode

### General

1. Parasitic trematode growing to 0.75mm in length

### Geography and Habitat

1. Native: Eurasia: eastern Europe, upper Asia, Siberia, and the Ponto-Caspian region (Caspian, Black, and Aral Seas)
2. Habitat:
  - Occurs on eyes of ruffe (*Gymnocephalus cernuus*)
  - Rarely occurs on eyes of *Perca fluviatilis* in Eurasia

### Invasion Pathways

1. Likely arrived with ruffe in ballast water

### Sources

1. <http://nas.er.usgs.gov/queries/FactSheet.aspx?SpeciesID=2361>